

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus for and method of accommodating an XML document within a data base management system. The XML document is defined by a Document Type Definition (DTD). It is parsed on an element-by-element basis into an acceptable format for use by a data base management system by information contained in an XML mapping tree in accordance with said DTD. Each element may be accompanied by appropriate attributes. The tree may be saved for future use. An internal form of the DTD may be stored for future use.

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